

THE BARTON COUNTY DEMOCRAT

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GREAT BEND, KANSAS.

City and County.

When ice is thick and deep's the snow,
And winter days are dreary;
Men want but little here below
Zero.

With grief is filled life's cup,
Misfortune on us frown
When coal is going up
And snow is coming down.

Miss Hattie Laver spent Sunday in Larned.

Dr. Van Houten has been quite ill for some time.

Harry Talcott was in from Larned Saturday night.

Henry Uden, of Oden P. O., was in the city last week.

Mr. Fred Stairs, of Garden City, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. C. B. Morgan has returned from her visit to Pawnee Rock.

Fred Moore, from South Bend, was a welcome caller Saturday.

Dan Miller shipped three car loads of cattle to Kansas City Saturday.

S. S. Shattuck and Joe Meeker were down Saturday from Homestead.

We are glad to note that Mrs. Grant, who has been very ill, is convalescing.

Lewis Bros. are making a cut on photographs this week. See their dodgers.

Several people living in the southeast part of the city are afflicted with numps.

Keep your other ear open and you may hear something "drap" before many days.

Miss Lottie Morgan is again assisting James Savage at the postoffice news-stand.

Theo. Griffith, the "Russian Jugler", has the latest poster hung up in the city.

Preparations are being made for the opening of the Morrison hotel at an early date.

A corps of Santa Fe surveyors have been at work for a couple of days near the depot.

A carload of furniture has arrived over the Mo. Pacific railroad for the Morrison hotel.

Mr. Belcher, of South Bend township, was in the city Monday talking with old friends.

Although the weather was fair Saturday, Allison Bros. sold 30 tons of coal in this city.

The Modoc singing club of Topeka are expected to be in this city the first of March.

The M. E. church conference of south-western Kansas, will meet at Wichita March 14th.

A large number of people were out Sunday gazing upon the turbulent waters of the Arkansas.

Jake Miller says the reason why he left California is, that it is not fit for a white man to live in.

Wm. Zutavern has rented the Ford farm and has already commenced putting his crop in.

W. T. Irwin, of the Abilene Daily Gazette, returned Sunday and will report the balance of the trial.

Wm. H. Filley, from Windsor, Connecticut, a brother-in-law of A. J. Buckland, is in the city.

The new school district, No. 80, which takes in the hamlet of Claffin, held its first meeting the other day.

D. B. Palmer has returned from an extended trip through southern Kansas and part of the "Neutral strip."

Joe H. Fowler, editor of the Leoti Transcript, came in Friday afternoon to attend the trial, and made this office a call.

Wilke Duitsman has sold a half interest in his general store at Albert, and the firm name is now Duitsman & Kreizinger.

One young hoodlum took off his shoes and socks yesterday and went barefoot most of the day. Carry the news to Iowa.

Will Moses, well known by almost everyone in Great Bend and this county, came in Sunday morning from Pueblo, where he is in business.

The postmistress has received a new ruling in regard to advertised letters. Hereafter a charge of one cent will be made on an advertised letter.

A large quantity of lumber and other material is being unloaded near the Santa Fe depot, presumably for the purpose of building a round house.

Chas. Brooker has returned from his trip through the south-western part of the state, where he has been successful in getting orders for tombstones.

A party of young people gathered at Mrs. Dalziel's residence, on the east side, Saturday night and spent the evening, having a most delightful time.

J. J. Winterburg is still confined to the house with a pernicious illness. C. B. Morgan is attending the harness shop during Mr. Winterburg's absence.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Singmaster and Miss Celia Freeman, of the Hotel Vendome, Coronado, arrived Saturday to be in attendance on the trial of Tom Allen.

Persons can learn of a good hotel building, partly furnished, in a good town, which will be rented cheap to the right man, by calling on or addressing this office.

C. Samuels returned from Chicago last week, where he has been on business of importance. He says he almost froze while there, and is only too glad to get back.

David Gray, of Albion township, is in the city. He was on the streets bright and early Monday and says this is the first time he has come to town with pleasant weather this year.

A good looking girl in Kansas City who removed her tall hat as soon as she got comfortably seated in the theater, had four offers of marriage inside of twenty-four hours. And she deserved them.—Ex.

Rev. Frank Boyle, of the Presbyterian church of Larned, lately from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, will assist in the meetings of the Presbyterian church, of this place, this week. Services every evening.

We are informed the Mo. Pacific has caused a reduction of from 20 to 30 per cent. on all freight from St. Louis, the reduction on first-class freight being in some instances as great as 50 per cent.

If the spasmodically booming towns of certain localities had not used the expression so often as to rob it of most of its merit, we would remark, concerning the prosperity of Great Bend, that there is a "hen on."

The school board are looking after the interests of the school property, having just insured the east side school house for \$8,000, and will have the same amount fixed on the west end building as soon as possible.

Mr. J. F. Fesler, administrator of the estate of the late Isaac Fesler, will sell at public auction, on the 28th inst., 9 miles south of Great Bend and 4 1/2 miles north-east of Seward, the chattels and effects of his late brother.

The Claffin Gazette is authority for the information that the following are some of the officers of Barton county: "Sheriff, J. S. Dalziel; Register of Deeds, C. E. Dodge; Clerk, Ed. L. Teed, and Treasurer, L. M. Krause."

The Sunday school, of school district No. 4, Liberty township, will give an oyster supper on the evening of the 24th inst., and from the arrangements we learn the people of that community are making, it will be an enjoyable affair.

The protracted meetings which have been held in the Highland school house, Albion township, closed on Sunday the 5th inst., after adding several new members to the church and getting up quite a religious feeling in the community.

A birthday party was given by Frank S. Wilson Saturday night to his most intimate friends. About 30 were present. Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Wilson gave the young people full possession of the house and a grand time was had by all who were present.

The Santa Fe train men are not in a hurry to remove to Ellinwood, as it was stated recently they would do. From all indications at the present writing some of them are liable to remain in this city long enough to warrant them in putting up good, substantial houses.

The Wichita Mining company have leased land in Homestead township, from C. L. Worman and will commence sinking a shaft within ninety days. Mr. Worman returned from Wichita last night, where he had been completing arrangements with the company.

The county seat question is again decided in favor of Rush Center. The motion in the Supreme court for a rehearing in the Mandamus against the officers of Rush county over ruled, and a writ issued to remove the county records from La Crosse to Rush Center within five days.

The program for the grand lodge session has been received from Grand Recorder Ford, of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, to be held in the city of Atchinson on the 28th inst. The headquarters for the grand lodge officers will be at the Bryan hotel. Reduced rates have been secured on all the railroads.

County clerk Jones, assisted by Mr. J. R. Brown, is busy getting the Barton county assessment rolls ready for the March assessments. This being an "even year" when assessors are required to make changes in valuations if deemed necessary, these gentlemen will have more than the usual amount of work to do.

Another of our young men succumbed to the inevitable. Mr. R. A. Allison, of the firm of Allison Bros., this city, was married on the 8th inst., at Mitchell, Kansas, to Miss Laura Good, at the home of her parents, Rev. Cross officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Allison have the congratulations and best wishes of this office.

The Hoisington Echo of last Saturday says that Rev. A. C. Taylor, well-known in the northern part of the county, gathered his family and traps together recently, and skipped "by the light of the moon" for "other fields and pastures new." The family is reported as having gone to Ottok, Ohio.

The three story block to be built by Messrs. Willner and Hulme on the corner of Forest avenue and Williams streets, will be commenced as soon as possible. Capt. Hannum, who has the contract, says it will have a front of one-hundred feet on Williams street and fifty on Forest avenue. The fronts to be built of brick and the balance of stone.

Representatives of the Wichita mining company have been here and examined the lay of the land. They were sufficiently satisfied with their examination to procure leases of certain lands adjacent to Great Bend, and some time during this week Mr. Harris, treasurer of this company, will be at the Grand Central, when we expect to learn of some important developments.

Deputy sheriff Benedict went out to Claffin Friday and arrested G. W. Tinchney, of that place and brought him to this city. He had been indicted by the grand jury for violating the prohibitory law and gambling. He was conducted back to Claffin last night, where he will try and raise a bond in the sum of one-hundred dollars.

Of the nearly 8,000 Kansas real estate mortgages held by the Lombard Investment Company, of Kansas City, only about twenty-five have been foreclosed. This is the experience of every other investment company doing business in Kansas. The foreclosures of mortgages on Kansas farms will not aggregate one per cent. of the total number held.

Great Bend is about to make things "hum," and this spring will receive the greatest advertising she has ever experienced. The committee recently appointed at the meeting held in D. N. Heizer's office started out in the afternoon and collected nearly a thousand dollars in a few hours, and are collecting to day. The boom will start with the opening of the Morrison hotel.

One of the most important court decisions that has been rendered for a long time has just been made by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. It is to the effect that a person may fry onions regardless of the inconvenience the odor of cooking may give to the neighbors. The case may be carried to the Supreme Court of the United States, however, and in that event the final outcome is uncertain.—Ex.

Saturday night a man rapped at the door of Mr. Caro's residence on the west side. Mrs. Caro asked what was wanted. The man made no answer and departed but soon returned and rapped again. This time Mr. Caro went to the door, and again the man disappeared. The same performance was made by the man at the residence of Mr. D. B. Palmer, who raised a window and the man asked

him to come down, he wanted to speak to him, that he was bewildered and lost. Mr. Palmer told him the way to town, and he departed after nearly "scaring the wits" out of the neighborhood.

Booming Babies.

Sunday the sun smiled its sweetest smiles alike upon the just and the unjust. The balmy air was breathed by the sinner and the saint alike, and all rejoiced at the muchness of its invigorating power.

Three individuals could, if they would talk about it, say that it was the most perfect day they ever knew. We refer to the fine, 12 pound girl who came Saturday night, to the home of Mrs. and Mr. Dr. Castle, to the bouncing 10 pound boy who arrived Sunday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brooker, and to that other handsome 10 pound Kansas lad who came the same morning to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Larsh. Two east siders and one west sider.

The Central Normal College.

Those who desire to attend the Normal, this term should enter soon. We have classes in all the common branches, algebra, geometry, natural philosophy, physiology, book-keeping, Latin, methods of teaching and vocal music. Other classes will be organized as they are needed. Special advantages are offered in reading, penmanship, drawing and painting. Those who are interested in these branches should visit the college building and talk with Mr. Hill. Urge your friends to come. Visit us and see what we are doing.

D. E. SANDERS, President.

Led Astray.

Ferdinando, Nassau Co., Fla., March 29th, 1880.
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